silk fabrics from China has increased from 766 M T in 2001-2002 to 3290 MT (P) in 2002-2003 with corresponding value of Rs. 84.29 crores and Rs. 191.52 crores respectively.

(c) A petition has since been filed by Karnataka Weavers Associations before the Directorate General of Anti-Dumping & Allied Duties, the designated authority, requesting for initiation of anti-dumping investigations on imports of silks fabrics from China PR. On the other hand, through Research and Technological efforts of Central Silk Board, breakthrough has been achieved for production of international standard of silk to enhance the availability of superior quality silk indigenously.

Implementation Committee for debt construction package for textile industry

921. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) wether the Ministry has constituted a Ten Member implementation Committee for the smooth implementation of the recently announced debt reconstruction package for the textile industry;

(b) if so, what will be the other main purposes of this Committee;

(c) to what extent the Committee would monitor the progress of the debt reconstruction package implementation and whether it would also study the issues that may be brought before it periodically; and

(d) by when the panel is likely to submit its recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN):(a) to (d) In order to ensure smooth implementation of the package for textile reconstruction and to encourage eligible industries to approach banks/financial institutions an Implementation Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Textiles) with the following members has been constituted:—

(i) Joint Secretary, Department of Banking;

(ii) Textile Commissioner;

(iii) Secretary General, the Indian Cotton Mills Federation (ICMF);

(iv) An industry representative from ICMF;

(v) A representative from South India Mills Federation (SIMA);

(vi) A representative from Indian Spinners Association;

(vii) Chairman, ICICI or his nominee;

(viii) Chairman, State Bank of India or his nominee;

(ix) Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles—Member—Convener.

The above Committee is not expected to submit any recommendation. It will monitor the progress of the package and examine various issues on regular basis.

Centres of National Institute of Fashion Technology

922. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has sanctioned centres of National Institute of Fashion Technology at Tirupati and Vishakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether the State Government has demanded that such centres should be set up at Vijaywada and Warrangal; and

(c) what is Government's response in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No, Sir

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Setting up Sericulture Research Institute in Karnataka

923. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a premier sericulture research institute in Japan proposes to relocate its operations to another prominent silk producing country;

(b) whether Government of Karnataka has requested the Centre to arrange for locating the institute in Karnataka; and

(c) if so, the details and efforts made by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) No such proposal has been received in the Ministry.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.